8 JUL 1961 STAT Honorable J. Edgar Hoove Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you very much for your letter of 30 June to Mr. Dulles regarding a change in the Federal Bureau of investigation representation on the United States Intelligence Board.

As Acting Chairman of the Intelligence Board, I wish to express the appreciation of myself and my colleagues for the very valuable contribution which Mr. Belmont made to the work of the Board. We benefited from his wise counsel and will miss his presence on the Board.

We shall, of course, be happy to welcome Mr. Sullivan as a new Member of USIB and confidently expect that he will continue the same effective support of USIB which your representatives have provided in the past.

In accordance with your request, I want to assure you that arrangements are being made to obtain the special clearances required by Mr. Sullivan as a Board Member. Moreover, we will take no steps to alter the status of the clearances which Mr. Belmont presently holds as a Member of USIB.

At this time I am reminded again of the effective support another of your representatives, Mr. Meffert Kuhrtz, gave over many years to the Board and its Committees. I realize that, upon the formal termination of his association with the Board, the Members took special notice of Mr. Kuhrta' service. Nevertheless, I wished to add another personal note of appreciation for the important assistance which Mr. Kuhrts rendered to the Board and the entire intelligence community.

Sincerely,

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